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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

REF: A) 77 COTONOU 1324 B) COTONOU A-44 DTD. MAY 21,1975

1. USDOC/MEPD CONDUCTING SURVEY OF TRANSPORTATION SECTOR
PROJECTS (EXCLUDING ROADS) IN SELECTED AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY IDENTIFYING ANY SUCH PROJECTS
LIKELY TO BE DEVELOPED DURING NEXT FIVE YEARS OTHER THAN
PARAKOU-NIAMEY RR, COTONOU PORT, AND COTONOU AIRPORT.

2. RE RR: MARCH ISSUE "RAILWAY GAZETTE INTERNATIONAL"
(LONDON) STATES" BENIN RAILWAYS HAS LAUNCHED MAJOR TWO

YEAR INVESTMENT PROGRAMME WHICH INCLUDES A SUBSTANTIAL
ALLOCATION FOR THE START OF CONSTRUCTION WORK THIS YEAR
ON ITS 650 KM NORTHERN EXTENSION FROM PARAKOU TO GAYA
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AND NIAMEY IN NIGER...TOTAL COST OF THE EXTENSION IS CFA
50,000M, AND THE WORK IS TO BE COMPLETED IN SIX YEARS...
BENIN RAILWAYS 1978-1980 INVESTMENT PROGRAMME IS BUDGETTED
AT CFA 3.200M. INCLUDED IN THE PLANS IS A TRANCHE OF

MONEY FOR ROLLING STOCK PURCHASE FROM FRENCH

MANUFACTURERS." WOULD APPRECIATE STATUS REPORT,
PARTICULARLY IDENTIFICATION SOURCE OF FINANCING
AND ANY DETAILS POST CAN DEVELOP RE ROLLING STOCK
ACQUISITION.

3. RE PORT: REFTEL WAS WIDELY DISSEMINATED TO U.S.
INDUSTRY BY COMMERCE. WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT ON CURRENT
PROJECT STATUS.

4. RE AIRPORT: ASSUME PROJECT STATUS UNCHANGED SINCE
REFAIR REPORTED PROJECT DEAD. COOPER

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